OMI OPERATIONS STATUS

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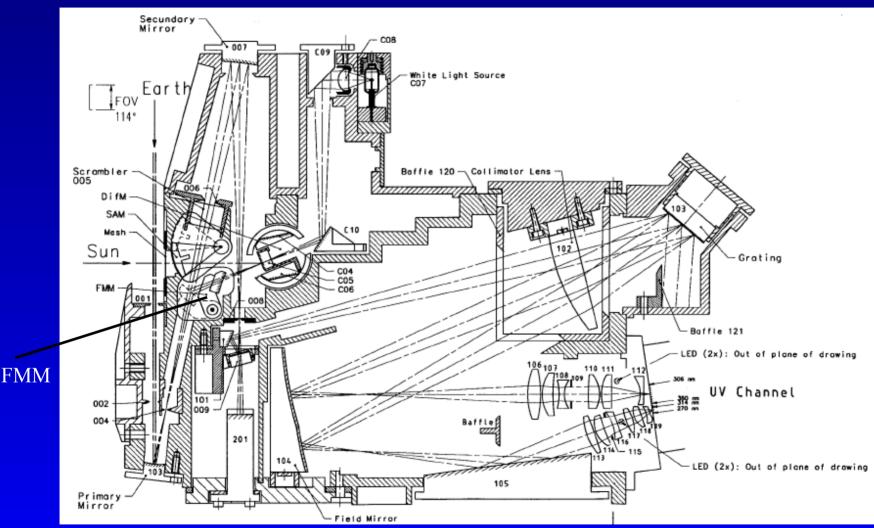
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- Folding Mirror Mechanism (FMM) anomaly
- Operations status and outlook



FMM anomaly: purpose of FMM

The FMM is a stepper motor. It is needed when performing calibration measurements



Design drawing of the OMI optical bench



FMM anomaly: overview

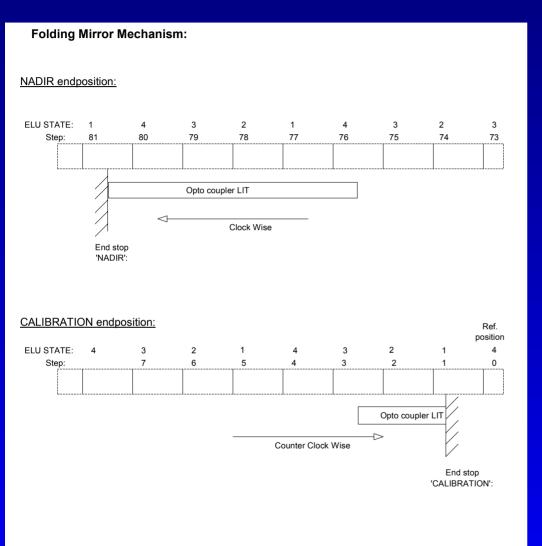


- On Feb 28th at 00:23:18 GMT OMI stopped generating science data due to a FMM anomaly.
- Investigation started immediately after the occurrence of the anomaly.
 Parties involved:
 - Instrument Operations Team
 - Industry (Dutch Space and TNO-TPD)
 - NASA / AURA Flight Operations Team Decisions were formalized by means of Non-Conformance Review Boards.
- OMI resumed generating science data on March 3rd (only earth and dark measurements, no calibration measurements).
- As part of the anomaly investigation 13 FMM tests were carried out in the period March 8th – May 17th.
- Although the FMM tests provided detailed information on the in-flight FMM behaviour, the FMM behaved nominally during all tests and no root cause could be found for the anomaly.
- On June 12th OMI resumed full nominal operations generating earth science data as well as calibration data.



FMM anomaly: operating the FMM





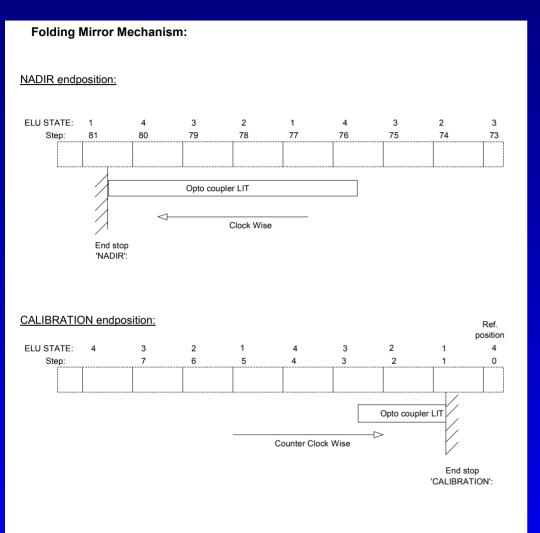
- For calibration measurements:
 - assume an unknown initial FMM position.
 - move the FMM from this unknown position to calibration position 0 by commanding 85 steps.
 - in case the FMM bounces against the endstop, indicated by a dark status of the opto-coupler, move the FMM 4 additional steps from position 4 to position 0.
 - when the calibration measurement is finished, move the FMM to the nadir position 79.
- For nadir (earth) measurements:
 - not needed to move the FMM, because the default position is the nadir position.

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FMM anomaly: what went wrong?





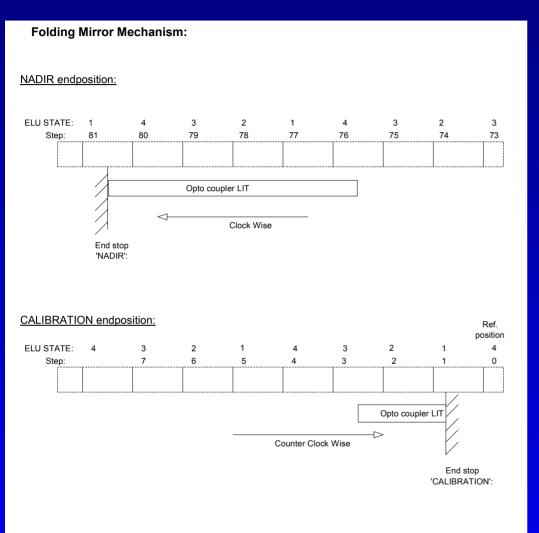
- Till Feb 19th the FMM always bounced against the calibration endstop when moving to the calibration position.
- Between Feb 19th and Feb 28th the FMM not always bounced.
- On Feb 28th, when moving the FMM into calibration position for a LED calibration measurement, the optocoupler status remained "dark" even after the 4 additional steps.
- Automatically a Fault Management procedure started, resulting in a transition to Idle mode which effectively stopped the generation of science data.
- As part of the Fault Management procedure, the FMM was moved to nadir position.

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FMM anomaly: telemetry analysis





- Telemetry analysis showed that the FMM, as part of the Fault Management procedure, was indeed moved to nadir position.
- This was confirmed when, after March 3rd, earth images became available again which showed that the optical path was not blocked by the FMM.

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FMM anomaly: testing the FMM



Folding Mirror Mechanism: NADIR endposition: FLU STATE: 1 3 2 3 81 76 75 73 Step: Opto coupler LIT Clock Wise End stop 'NADIR': CALIBRATION endposition: Ref. position ELU STATE: 2 2 3 0 Step: Opto coupler LIT Counter Clock Wise

Purpose of various tests:

- Tests 1-3:
 Find out if the FMM can be moved around its nadir position?
- Tests 4-5:
 Find out if the redundant FMM coils can be used, also in combination with the nominal FMM coils (double drive torque!)
- Find out if the FMM can be moved from the nadir position 79 to position 2 without loosing steps in between due to mechanical/electrical wear
- Tests 9-10:
 Find out if there is mechanical/electrical wear or opto-coupler problem at position 1.
- Tests 11 (without WLS) 12 (with WLS):
 Find out if there is mechanical/electrical wear or opto-coupler problem at position 0; find out if bouncing is taking place.
- Test 13 (with WLS):
 Find out the precise position of the calibration endstop by commanding FMM to virtual position -4;
 find out when FMM jumps back.

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End stop

FMM anomaly: test results



- All tests were successful.
- During all tests the FMM showed nominal behaviour.
- There is no loss of steps when moving the FMM from nadir position to calibration position and vice versa.
- There is no indication for an opto-coupler problem.
- No bouncing against the calibration endstop takes place when commanding the FMM step-by-step.
- When using the WLS, the WLS signal is highest at FMM position 1 whereas position 0 (the calibration position) was expected.
- It turns out that the FMM position during a calibration measurement is just in front of the calibration endstop and not at the calibration endstop.
- A known initial position 79 can be assumed when starting to use the FMM.



FMM anomaly: cause and corrective action



Cause:

- Despite all the successful tests, the root cause for the FMM anomaly has not been found.
- One possible cause (although it cannot be proven) is that, instead with the usual 4 steps, the FMM bounced 8 steps when moving to the calibration position. This has occurred only once during an on-ground test.

Corrective action:

- A relation is assumed between the changing bouncing behaviour as observed between Feb 19th and Feb 28th and the FMM anomaly on Feb 28th.
- By operating the FMM in a different way, bouncing against the calibration endstop can be avoided.
- All calibration measurements are performed by means of Stored Instruction Sequences (SISs). All SISs that use the FMM will be modified to avoid bouncing.
- In the next coming months old SISs will be replaced by new SISs.
- Replacing the old SISs by the new SISs will have no impact on the measurement schedule.
- The FMM is now continuously monitored by automated TM checking



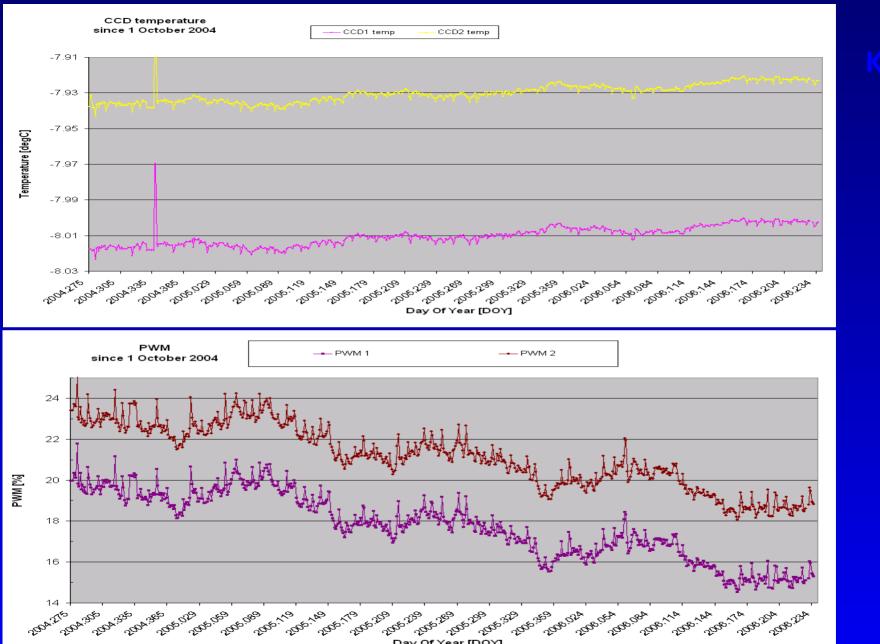


Operations Status and Outlook



- OMI performs nominal
- OMI is taking both earth and calibration measurements according to the (unchanged) Nominal Operations Baseline.
- On June 17th a new LED linearity measurement was performed for the first time giving more detailed information on the non-linear relation ship between the incoming flux on the CCD and the resulting number of electrons in the CCD read-out register.
- All calibration SISs that use the FMM will be updated to avoid bouncing of the FMM.
- 29 new orbit-type activities have been developed that enable a more flexible timing of the earth measurements during the ozone hole season. This is to avoid CCD saturation in the UV spectral region.
- Except for the FMM anomaly there have been no other instrument anomalies.
- OMI is thermally still very stable. No change of thermal settings needed.









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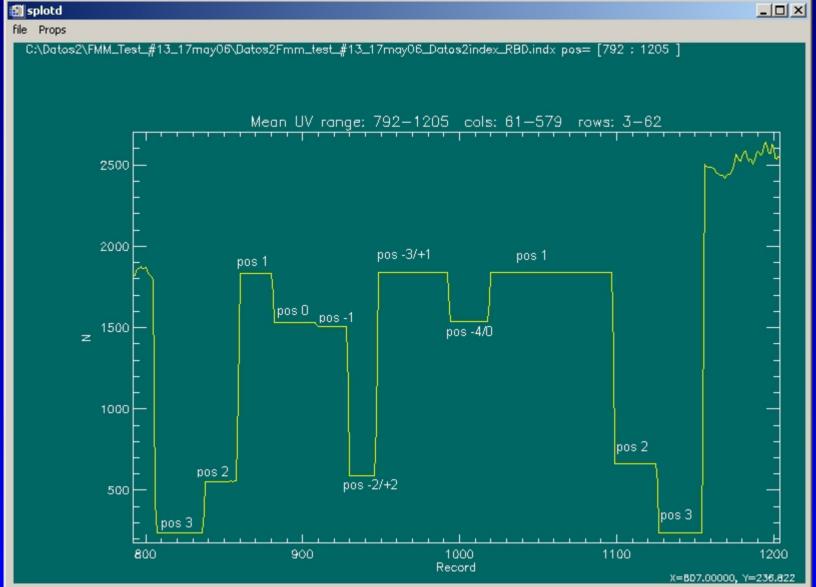


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Position calibration end-stop (result from FMM test #13)







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